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Michigan Brings Home Millions in Funding to Help Lower Household Energy Costs for Families and Businesses

Funding from President Biden's Inflation Reduction Act supports local small businesses manufacture heat pumps and parts to lower costs for families and businesses

LANSING, Mich. — The Michigan Infrastructure Office (MIO) today announced two Michigan companies will receive a combined \$22 million from the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) to scale up the manufacturing of electric heat pumps and heat pump components to help lower costs for families and businesses, grow the clean energy workforce and create healthier indoor environments.

Armstrong International, Inc. in Three Rivers will receive \$5,083,719 to increase its manufacturing capacity of industrial heat pumps, and Treau, Inc. (also known as Gradient) in Oakland County will receive \$17,501,816 to expand its manufacturing capacity of easy-install room heat pumps.

"Today, Michigan is bringing home millions of dollars from President Biden's Inflation Reduction Act to support good-paying jobs manufacturing heat pumps that will drive down utility bills for families," said **Governor Gretchen Whitmer**. "Michigan is leading and building the future of clean energy, and with federal support, we will supercharge our efforts to create middle-class manufacturing jobs, lower costs for families and small businesses, and improve access to reliable power. "

Heating and cooling buildings, homes, offices, schools, hospitals, military bases, and other critical facilities drive more than 35% of all U.S. energy consumption. Electric heat pumps efficiently provide comfortable temperatures for heating and cooling homes and businesses in all climates and can provide more efficient water heating. On average, homeowners can save over \$500 per year depending on how energy efficient their home is, the size of their home, and the local climate.

"This latest funding announcement is a testament to Michigan's commitment to bringing home these investments and dispersing them in our communities while growing our position as a national and global leader in clean energy," said **Zachary Kolodin, Michigan's Chief Infrastructure Officer and director of the Michigan Infrastructure Office**. "Heat pumps lower energy bills without burning fuel, reducing the risk of carbon monoxide leaks, introducing fresh outdoor air into your home, improving ventilation and eliminating odors and pollutants."

With support from the Biden Administration and Members of the Michigan congressional delegation who voted for the Inflation Reduction Act, Michigan continues to [lead](#) the race for jobs and investment and is the number two state nationwide for clean energy investments, with a combined \$20 billion since August 2022. Winning 14 projects in clean energy, battery, and electric vehicle manufacturing, Michigan has announced more than 13,000 jobs since the passage of the Inflation Reduction Act in 2022.

"Getting more American-made electric heat pumps on the market will help families and businesses save money with efficient heating and cooling technology, said **U.S. Secretary of Energy Jennifer M. Granholm**. "Thanks to President Biden's Investing in America agenda, these investments will create

thousands of high-quality, good-paying manufacturing jobs and strengthen America's energy supply chain, while creating healthier indoor spaces through American-made clean energy technologies."

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